into this state, at any time within one year after the passage of this act, the slave he may be entitled to, under the grant or bona fide gift of Edward Lawrence, of Shenandoah county, and Commonwealth of Virginia, and which slave shall have been resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia, three whole years next preceding such removal or importation, and the same to retain as a slave; Provided, that no sale or disposition of any such Proviso. slave, or her increase, shall be made until the said slave shall have resided within this state three whole years next preceding such sale, except in cases of disposition by last will and testament, and disposition by law, for bona fide debts, or consequent upon intestacy. ····

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CHAPTER 27.

An act to alter and change the name of William Prentis Swift, of Bultimore City, to that of William Roberdeau Swift.

Passed Dec. 31, 1513.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the name of William Prentiss Swift, of Baltimore City, be, and is hereby altered and changed unto the name of William Roberdeau Swift; and it shall and may be lawful for the said William Prentiss Swift, at all times hereafter, to be called and known by, and hold and use the name of William Roberdeau Swift, and by that name to sue and be sued in any court of law or equity.

Name chang.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all securities, pro- Contracts, &c. mises, contracts, gifts, devises, assurances, deeds, and confirmed by lawful acts whatsoever, heretofore made or done, or hereafter to be made or done by, or to the said William Prentiss Swift, by the name of William Roberdeau Swift, shall be of the same force and effect, and equally avail, to all intents and purposes, as if the name of William Roberdeau Swift, had been the true and proper name of said William Prentiss Swift, from his birth; any law, usage or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

## CHAPTER 28.

An act to authorise and empower the Levy Court of Passed Jan. Montgomery county, to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of John Daily.

Section 1. BE 1T ENACTED by the General Assem. 30 dolls to be bly of Maryland, That the Levy Court of Montgomery levied for his county be, and they are hereby directed and empowered, support. t their Levy Court annually, so long as they shall see fit, o assess and levy on the assessable property of Montgo. mery county, a sum of Money not exceeding thirty dolars, for the support and maintenance of the said John Paily; and that the same be collected annually, by the ollector of Montgomery county, and paid to the said ohn Daily, or to his order.